Atlas Minerals Division of Atlas Corporation Big Indian Mines LaSal, Utah 84530

FILE RIMMINE ACT/037/006

July 31, 1981

State of Utah Department of Natural Resources Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining 1588 West North Temple Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

Atten: Sally Kefer

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DIVISION OF OIL, GAS & MINING

Dear Sally,

In response to your letter dated July 22, 1981, I am providing the following information:

1. Applications for facility have been submitted to the Utah Division of Health and the EPA.

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- 3. In talking with Bob Morgan of the Utah Division of Water Rights, he stated that the Division had no jurisdiction over water removed from a mine in a mine dewatering situation. This is as long as the water is put to no other use, which in this case it would not be.
- 4. Projected life of the Rim mine is currently scheduled to be 6 years. No regular maintenance of the pond itself is scheduled. We will be monitoring the system regularly as required by the NPDES permit. When discharge quality appears to be changing then corrective action will be taken at that time.
- 5. Any abandonment or disposal of the system or any part thereof will be done in accordance with the currently approved regulations.

I hope that this information is sufficient to allow the approval of this amendment. As always, if I can provide additional information, please contact me.

Respectfully,

Richard A. Dye Chief Engineer